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HEARING ON LIE-TESTS ASKED

A Penny for your Thoughts

A great deal of the high emotionalism surrounding President Kennedy's assassination has abated, so the Pennies photographer asked five housewives to evaluate President Johnson's performance so far.

Mrs. Nan Sattton, 3030 Merrille Drive:
"So far, I think he has done well considering the circumstances of his becoming President. How he continues will be seen. If he does as well as he has, I think he will be re-elected in November."

Mrs. Harry Newman, 3305 Antonio St.:
"He seems to be doing a good job, but it is difficult for a private citizen to tell. I think he is pushing for the nomination. He seems to have been better prepared than most vice presidents, and it looks like he'll run a good race in November."

Mrs. Robert Breakstone, 27550 Longhill, Palos Verdes:
"I think he is doing an excellent job. I feel he will definitely be re-nominated, and I would like very much to see him re-elected. Because of the assassination, the whole atmosphere in the nation is such that he has had an easy time."

Mrs. George Pickering, 3506 W. 229th Place:
"I think he has taken over very well. He is doing a good job so far, and I expect that he will continue to do a good job. He will be re-nominated, but I won't even guess about the election."

Mrs. Ernest Butt, 728 S. Catalina, Redondo Beach:
"I am quite surprised at all the initiative he has shown. It is more than I thought he had. He does have the drive, and I think he will continue this good performance. The President, however, can only do so much, and Congress must work, too."

Area Rotary Clubs Host Top Officer

People the world over are pretty much the same in their hungers, aspirations, and desires for peace.

This was the theme of an address before a large gathering of area Rotarians Friday noon at a luncheon honoring Carl P. Miller, Rotary International president,

New Chief Named by Physicians

James K. Lees, M. D., Torrance ear, nose, and throat specialist, has been elected chief of the medical staff at Torrance Memorial Hospital and will be installed to succeed Edward Knutson, M. D., at an installation dinner meeting on Jan. 18.

Chosen by staff physicians at the hospital for other offices for 1964 were Donald R. Tompkins, M. D., assistant chief of staff; Richard A. Sullivan, M. D., secretary-treasurer; and William Johnson, M. D., assistant secretary-treasurer.

Dr. Lees was graduated from the Tulane Medical School in New Orleans, served his internship at the Hospital of the Good Samaritan in Los Angeles, and did a residency in surgery at Harbor General Hospital. He spent four years in residency at Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center in New York City specializing in ear, nose, and throat studies before opening his Torrance practice in 1953. He and Mrs. Lees are the parents of two boys and two girls.

California newspaper publisher, and civic leader.

With Mrs. Miller, he has just completed a 28,000 mile tour of the Pacific where they visited Rotary clubs in the Orient and Australia. Previously the couple toured all of Central Europe and the Near East, where conferences were held with Rotary leaders and government officials in 38 countries of Rotary International.

"EVERYWHERE we went we found a universal language — outstretched open hands and smiles," Miller told the group who listened avidly to their international president's account of the influence of Rotary principles throughout the world.

Miller, veteran California newspaperman and president of Palos Verdes Newspapers, suggested, "as Rotarians we must attempt to live up to the expectations of our friends everywhere."

PRESENTATION of a piece of Palos Verdes rock containing a complete fossil, was made to the visiting Rotary leader by Dwight Oliver, co-chairman of the program with Ted Hermann.

Presiding was Martin Faerber with introductions of prominent guests by Carl Rogers, president of Hollywood Riviera Rotary Club, hosts for the event.



FOR PRESIDENT . . . An unusual fossil rock, bearing a perfect imprint of a prehistoric fish, was presented to Rotary International President Carl Miller (second from right) during his address to members of the Palos Verdes Peninsula Rotary Club Friday at the Jump 'n Jack. Admiring the rock, given to the Rotary Club by Palos Verdes Properties, Inc., are Martin Faerber, president of the local club; Dwight Oliver, program chairman; Frank Desplanck, district governor; and Ted Hermann, program co-chairman. The other half of the fossil rock was retained by Palos Verdes Properties, which uncovered it during digging operations on the Peninsula. (Herald Photo)

ON NEW YEAR'S EVE

Long-Standing Feud Ends With Shooting

A long-standing argument between two neighbors was climaxed by gunfire at the height of the New Year's welcoming celebration and one man fell dead in his driveway and his

neighbor was arrested by Los Angeles police on suspicion of murder.

Killed by a cartridge from a deer rifle was Winnie W. Quinn, 57, of 1438 W. 218th St. Arrested was his neighbor, Edward E. Newton, 45, who lives at 1446 W. 218th St.

Neighbors told Det. Sgt. Chester Baldrige that the two men had been quarreling for several years—perhaps over a pipe wrench one had borrowed from the other.

When Newton and his wife, Ann, arrived home just about midnight on New Year's Eve, Quinn was honking the horn on his car to greet the new year.

An argument broke out between the two men and ended in the shot a few moments later. Several of the neighbors of the two families witnessed the shooting, police said.

Quinn's wife, Gladys, was killed about 10 years ago in an auto accident. Before her death, she was a Torrance HERALD distributor in the Shoestring Strip area for many years. Following her death,

Quinn continued to bring up his children, a daughter, now married, and a son, John, who was home at the time of the shooting.

A welder for many years, Quinn had been employed by the former Bay Manufacturing Co. of Torrance and later by Falco Machine and Tool of Gardena.

Council May Call Session Wednesday

Whether two police officers should be compelled to take lie-detector tests in the current probe of the city's affairs may be the subject of a special meeting of the City Council Wednesday evening if the wishes of three of the councilmen can prevail.

Councilmen Nick Drale, J. A. Beasley, and Ross A. Sciarrotta Jr., said they would move to have Tuesday evening's 5:30 p.m. meeting adjourned to 6:30 p.m. Wednesday so representatives of the state attorney general's office and the district attorney's office could meet with city officials.

COUNCILMAN DRALE said the three were upset at charges that the investigation was being hampered by city officials. "When the investigation by the attorney general was requested by the city, we offered our full cooperation," Drale said.

This week's dispute arose over requests of Deputy Atty. Gen. Jack Goertzen and Dep. Dist. Attorney Richard Caballero to have two police lie-detector tests to clear up testimony which reportedly was in conflict.

Goertzen and Caballero reportedly received assurances of Police Chief Percy Bennett Thursday that the two officers—Det. Lt. Don Hamilton, and Vice Lt. D. C. Cook—would appear Friday for the tests.

CITY MANAGER Wade Peebles, however, issued a memorandum Thursday advising police officers that he would not order them to undergo tests by lie-detecting devices.

Peebles' stand has been backed by Mayor Albert Isen (Continued on Page 2)

Ex-Officers Sentenced in Robbery

Two former Torrance police officers who were convicted last November of grand theft charges were sentenced to serve nine months in county jail Thursday when they appeared before Superior Judge Allen Miller in Inglewood Superior Court.

The sentences were handed down for Robert Keith, 26, and Roger L. Jacobson, 25, who were convicted Nov. 19 on charges that they grabbed a money bag containing \$1,700 from two women last July.

Before passing the sentence, Judge Miller ruled that the two officers were not illegally armed because they had guns in their possession during the July 6 robbery. The officers had stated that they were required to be armed at all times.

Five-year state prison sentences for the pair were suspended as a condition of probation. Judge Miller instructed the two ex-officers to make restitution, and not to associate with each other.

Trustees Meet

Trustees of the Torrance Unified School District will meet tomorrow evening at 7:30 in the board room at the District Office.



NEW STAFF . . . New officers of the medical staff at Torrance Memorial Hospital are shown here during an organizational meeting Friday. Seated from left are Dr. Donald Tompkins, assistant chief of staff, and Dr. James Lees, new chief of staff; standing at left is Dr. Richard Sullivan, secretary-treasurer, and Dr. Edward Knutson, outgoing chief of staff. (Herald Photo)



IN THE POT . . . Mrs. Elmer Vandergrift, treasurer of the Torrance Youth Bands Women's Auxiliary, drops a check which will be used to finance the senior Youth Band's trip to the 1964 World's Fair into a tuba held by Craig Baxley, a member of the band. Looking on is Richard Cassell, treasurer of the Torrance Area Youth Bands. Other projects will be coming up to help pay for the trip to the east coast. (Herald Photo)

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